## RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT AND ADMINISTRATION FOR THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

A motion was made by TAC Member Keith Holliday and seconded by TAC Member

T. Diane Bellamy-Small for the adoption of the following resolution, which upon being put to a vote was duly adopted.

WHEREAS, the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program is an effort to enable and encourage children, including those with disabilities, to walk and bicycle to school; AND

WHEREAS, SRTS is consistent with the goals of the adopted Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Greenway Master Plan and would advance efforts to improve air quality and public health; AND

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) administers a SRTS program, which is a federally funded program initiated with the passage of the 2005 Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users; AND

WHEREAS, federal funds are available through the NCDOT to schools, local governments, and other organizations to pay for 100% of the cost of infrastructure and non-infrastructure projects that increase pedestrian and bicycle safety and that encourage children to walk or ride a bicycle to school; AND

WHEREAS, the majority of infrastructure improvements consist of changes within public rights-of-way, such as the construction of sidewalks and crossing improvements; AND

WHEREAS, the NCDOT requires that in order to apply for federal SRTS funds, the MPO must pass a resolution of support and administration for a SRTS program; AND

WHEREAS, the NCDOT requires that certain SRTS projects be listed in the MPO's Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Greensboro Urban Area Transportation Advisory Committee supports the Safe Routes to School program, will work with entities that have identified projects that meet the purpose of the program to develop appropriate grant applications, intends to amend its Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program as necessary, and will distribute funds to the appropriate agencies as specified in any grant awards.

do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of an excerpt from the minutes of a meeting of the Greensboro Urban Area TAC duly held on this, the 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2007.

Chair, Transportation Advisory Committee

Subscribed and sworn to me on this, the  $14^{\rm th}$  day of November, 2007.

Margie L. Chrismon Notary Public

My commission expires <u>06-23-20/2</u>

